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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

above referenced divisional patent Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, delete lines 7 and 8 and insert therefor -- This is a divisional of application serial number 09/273,230 filed March 18, 1999, which is a divisional of application serial number 08/615,369 filed March 14, 1996 which claims priority under \$119(e)(1) to provisional application number 60/029,182 filed July 27, 1995, all of which are incorporated herein by reference. --

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-25 without prejudice or disclaime.

26. (Amended) The method of claim 37 wherein the formulation comprises [A formulation comprising] a lyophilized M